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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : Rasoll Rashidi
FOR : ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY/ABLATION
CATHETER AND REMOTE
ACTUATOR THEREFOR
SERIAL NO. : 09/232,866
FILED : January 16, 1999
EXAMINER : Kennedy Schaetzle
ART UNIT : 3762
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : CDA 2 0003-3

**PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AND ABANDONMENT
- ISSUE FEE PAID - TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION OF
AN INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER § 1.97
IN A CONTINUING APPLICATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(3))**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
BOX DAC

Dear Sir:

PETITION

1. Applicant hereby petitions for the withdrawal of this application from issue.

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAIL

I hereby certify that this **PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AND ABANDONMENT - ISSUE FEE PAID - TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION OF AN INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER § 1.97 IN A CONTINUING APPLICATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(3))** are being deposited with the United States Postal Service by Express Mail Procedure in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, **Box DAC** Washington, D.C. 20231 on September 30, 2002. **Express Mailing Label No. EV 178788685 US.**

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PATENT ISSUE FEE

2. The issue fee for this case was paid on September 03, 2002.

REASONS FOR WITHDRAWAL REQUEST

3. The reason for withdrawal from issue and abandonment of this application is for consideration of an information disclosure statement in a continuing application filed herewith (see attached Request for Continued Examination). 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(3)).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT

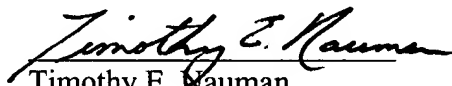
4. Please abandon this application to be effective on the grant of this petition and when the continuing application is granted a filing date so as to make this application copending with the continuing application.

PETITION FEES

6. Authorization is hereby made to charge the petition fee of \$ 130.00 set forth in § 1.117(h), required by 37 C.F.R. §1.313(a) to Deposit Account No. 06-0308. Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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